CLAIMS:

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1. A video display (100) comprising:

a controller (131) responsive to a first signal by providing power to a first set of circuits of said display (100);

said controller (131) responsive to a second signal by removing power from a second set of circuits of said video display (100);

a timer (135) defining a time interval between an instance of said second signal and an instance of said first signal;

wherein said first set of circuits is different from said second said of circuits during said time interval.

- 2. The video display (100) of claim 1 wherein, during said time interval, said first set of circuits excludes a lamp power circuit (106) and said second set of circuits includes said lamp power circuit (106).
 - 3. The video display (100) of claim 2 wherein said lamp power circuit I(106) s coupled to an image lighting lamp (107).
 - 4. The video display (100) of claim 3 wherein said image lighting lamp (107) is a mercury vapor lamp.
- 5. The video display (100) of claim 2 wherein, outside of said time interval said first set of circuits and said second set of circuits are substantially the same.
 - 6. A video display (100) comprising:

a controller (131) capable of responding to a first signal by energizing a first set of circuits of said display (100);

said controller (131) capable of responding to a second signal by de-energizing a second set of circuits of said display (100);

a timer (135) defining a time interval between an instance of said second signal and an instance of said first signal;

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wherein said controller (131) selects members of said first set of circuits based upon a condition of said timer (135).

- 7. The display (100) of claim 6 wherein said first signal is a power on signal and said second
 5 signal is a power off signal.
 - 8. The display (100) of claim 7 wherein said timer (135) comprises a lamp cool down timer for a high intensity discharge lamp (107).
- 9. The video display (100) of claim 1 wherein both said first set of circuits and said second set of circuits include circuits selected from the group comprising, tuners (161), speakers and amplifiers (162), and audio video (A/V) input circuits (163).
- 10. The video display (100) of claim 1 wherein said first signal and second signals are provided by a user operable control device (150).
 - 11. A video display system (100) comprising:

an image lighting lamp (107);

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a control circuit (130) for applying and removing power for said image lighting lamp 20 (107);

said control circuit (130) including a timer (135);

said timer (135) commencing a time interval when said control circuit (130) removes power from said image lighting lamp (107);

said control circuit (130) maintaining said image lighting lamp (107) de-energized during said time interval;

wherein said control circuit (130) is capable of applying power to circuits of said video display apparatus, other than said image lighting lamp (107), during said time interval.

12. A method for applying power to circuits of a video display, the method comprising the steps of:

applying power to a first set of said circuits in response to a first signal;

removing power from a second set of said circuits in response to a second signal;

defining a time interval between an instance of said second signal and an instance of said first signal and during which said first set of circuits is different from said second said of

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circuits and outside of which, said first set of circuits is the same as said second set of circuits.

14. A method for applying power to circuits of a video display, the method comprising the5 steps of:

applying power to a first set of said circuits in response to a first signal; removing power from a second set of said circuits in response to a second signal; indicating a time interval between an instance of said second signal and an instance of said first signal;

determining members of said first set of circuits based upon said indication.

15. In a video display apparatus, a method for controlling an image lighting lamp circuit, the method comprising the steps of:

energizing selected circuits of said video display apparatus in response to a power on control signal;

de-energizing circuits of said video display in response to a power off control signal; utilizing said power off control signal to start a timer; providing an indication of a condition of said timer; wherein said selected circuits are selected based upon said indication.